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BLOC ARMS TO EGYPT

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I. Strict Egyptian security measures have prevented our compilation of exact amounts of Bloc arms delivered to date.

A. Thusfar, for example, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] only 12

IL-28s and 8 MIG-15s in Egypt.

B. However, other strong evidence [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] indicates Egyptians already received at least 40 to 50 jet aircraft, 100 medium (T-34) and 20 heavy (JS-3) tanks, and an unknown quantity of artillery, military vehicles, light arms and ammunition.

C. Between 22 Oct and present, seven Bloc arms cargoes have been delivered to Alexandria from Soviet Black Sea ports by Soviet freighters, while two other shipments have arrived [REDACTED] on Soviet tankers.

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D. Soviet tankers have also delivered some 23,000 tons of POL to the Suez area, half of which is believed to be jet fuel.

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